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Senate Majority Committee Clerks

Subject:

Senate Bills 1029, 1030, and 1076, 1077 and 1078.

Greetings,

I am writing in support of Senate Bills 1029, 1030, and 1076, 1077 and 1078.

I am a resident of Kalamazoo who walks and bikes for exercise and recreation. I live in the immediate neighborhood of the tragic June 6 bicycle crash in Kalamazoo and personally knew three of those who were killed in that crash.

I urge you to support each of these bills when they come before the Michigan Senate Judiciary Committee tomorrow, September 20th. SB 1029 and 1030 reasonably stiffen the penalties for injuring vulnerable roadway users. SB 1076 and 1077 establish 5-foot passing rules. SB 1078 addresses driver education about motorists' responsibilities in sharing our roadways with vulnerable users. These bills are constructive steps towards reducing injuries and deaths to pedestrians, bicyclists, and other non-motorized users who share our highways and streets.

With best regards,

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